

GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING

Executive Committee

Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2013
5:00 – 6:00 pm
Governor's Office on Aging
Conference Room
1700 W. Washington Street, Suite 101
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Executive Committee Members Present

C.T. Wright (Chairman), Becky Brimhall-Lepire (Vice-Chairman) Bernadine Hoffman, Doyle Meredith, (Secretary) and Anne Morrison.

Executive Committee Members Absent

George Evanoff (Past Chairman)

Council Staff Present

Cathy De Lisa

Welcome and Call to Order

Council Chairman C.T. Wright called the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging (GACA) to order at 5:00 p.m.

Review of September Draft Meeting Minutes & Approval

Council Chairman Wright asked the group to review the draft minutes of the September 14, 2012 meeting. Bernadine Hoffman made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting as presented; Doyle Meredith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Report

Council Chairman C.T. Wright began by expressing appreciation to former Council Chairman Joe Woods for his service as the Chairman of the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging in 2012. Council Chairman Wright asked members to communicate directly with him regarding any concerns in reference to his own leadership style and thanked those in attendance for accepting committee leadership or officer roles, as requested. Council Chairman Wright stated he would like the Committee Chairpersons to identify someone to mentor as part of a succession plan, to guarantee someone could fill in for them if they had to be absent from one of their committee meetings and to help ensure new members had the opportunity to become engaged in the work of the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging early in their appointments. Council

Chairman Wright asked that Committee Chairpersons plan on a five (5) to (7) seven minute report on the work of their committees at the Council meetings.

2013 Senior Action Days Discussion

As part of discussion on Senior Action Days in 2013, Council Chairman Wright provided an overview of meetings held with the Senate President and Senate Minority Leader as well as plans to meet with the House of Representatives Minority Leader and efforts to schedule a time with the Speaker of the House. The intent of these meetings, according to Council Chairman Wright is to raise awareness of the Council, communicate the importance of Senior Action Days and ask for their support for the 2013 events. After discussions, the group voiced support by general consensus for a small gathering with legislators mid legislative session as recommended by legislators and staff, and several events in different parts of the state in October 2013.

Office Updates

Executive Director Cathy De Lisa provided updates on the work being done by staff in support of priorities as determined by the Council at the November Annual Planning meeting and asked for input from the group on additional expectations and requests. As part of the input received, Executive Committee members discussed potential dates for scheduling a meeting of the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging in February to help keep the momentum of the committees and the priorities of the Council moving forward.

Ms. De Lisa reminded the members that the draft meeting agendas as received during preparations for the Council meetings, offer an opportunity for their on-going thoughts and suggestions. An overview of the work happening on behalf of the Governor's Office on Aging initiatives was provided, and Executive Director De Lisa provided staffing updates, information regarding Council expenses and shared requests made to the Council or the Office on Aging.

Council Chairman Wright stated he would ask Past Chairman George Evanoff to review the GACA By-Laws and provide an initial report to the Executive Committee.

Announcements

Council Chairman C.T. Wright announced a Dean of Nursing employment opportunity at South Dakota State University and asked members to share with their contacts. Doyle Meredith announced the pending birth of an additional grandchild.

Adjourn

Council Chairman C.T. Wright adjourned the meeting at 5:46 p.m.

Next Meeting

The next Executive Committee meeting is planned for March 8, 2013; time and location to be determined and announced by Public Meeting Notice posted at the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging website: http://www.azgovernor.gov/gaca/. These meetings are open to the public.